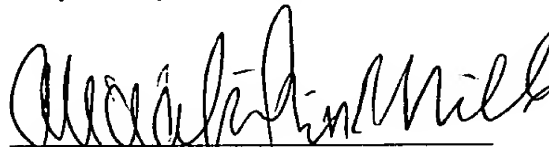


The specification has been amended to include references to prior applications as required under 37 CFR 1.78. Further, claims 1-25 have been cancelled, and claims 26-80 have been added.

A check is included to cover the cost of filing this amendment. If any additional fees are required to enter the present amendment, Applicant hereby authorizes the Office to charge our deposit account, Deposit Account No. 061910. If the Examiner feels that prosecution of the present application can be materially advanced by a telephonic interview, the undersigned would welcome a call at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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